

In the Specification

On page 1, please amend the specification as follows:

CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

The present application ~~is a related~~ claims priority to International Application Number ~~PCT/US97/15574~~ PCT/US98/18376, entitled “Agricultural Bale Accumulator ~~Having A Load Bed Extension Module And Method Therefor,~~” filed under the Patent Cooperation Treaty on ~~September 2, 1997~~ October 23, 1998 by Phillip G. Spaniol, Stephen J. Spaniol, and Kevin D. Kaschke and assigned to Farm Technology, L.L.C.;